

REMARKS

The Office Action dated October 3, 2006, has been received and carefully considered. In this response, claims 6, 8, 10-15, 17, 19, and 21 have been cancelled without prejudice. Cancellation of claims 6, 8, 10-15, 17, 19, and 21 without prejudice is respectfully requested. Reconsideration of the outstanding objections/rejections in the present application is also respectfully requested based on the following remarks.

I. THE ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS 2-5, 7, 9, (16,) 18, AND 20

Applicant notes with appreciation the indication on page 3 of the Office Action that claims 2-5, 7, 9, (16,) 18, and 20 are allowed.

II. THE OBJECTION TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 2 of the Office Action, the specification was objected to for failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter.

The Examiner asserts that claims 6 and 14 claim a modular and removable transfer seat which is not supported by the specification. Applicant respectfully disagrees. However, for purposes of expediting allowance of the present application, Applicant has cancelled claims 6 and 14 without prejudice.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the aforementioned objection to the specification be withdrawn.

III. THE OBJECTION TO THE DRAWINGS

On pages 2-3 of the Office Action, the drawings were objected to for failing to show every feature of the claimed invention.

The Examiner asserts that the drawings fail to show a modular and removable transfer seat as recited in claims 6 and 14. Applicant respectfully disagrees. However, for purposes of expediting allowance of the present application, Applicant has cancelled claims 6 and 14 without prejudice.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the aforementioned objection to the drawings be withdrawn.

IV. THE ENABLEMENT REJECTION OF CLAIMS 8, 10-13, AND 15-21

On page 3 of the Office Action, claims 8, 10-13, and 15-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to make and/or use the invention.

The Examiner asserts that an extension arm assembly located substantially in front of the vehicle seat is neither adequately described in the specification nor supported by detail in the

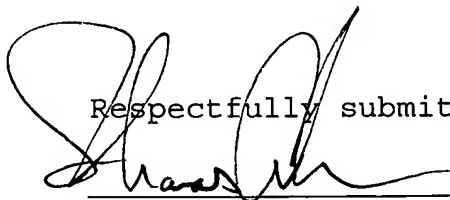
drawings. Applicant respectfully disagrees. However, for purposes of expediting allowance of the present application, Applicant has cancelled claims 8, 10-13, 15, 17, 19, and 21 without prejudice. It is respectfully submitted that claims 16, 18, and 20 do not recite, nor do they depend from any claims that recite, an extension arm assembly located substantially in front of the vehicle seat.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the aforementioned enablement rejection of claims 8, 10-13, and 15-21 be withdrawn.

V. CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and an early indication of the same is courteously solicited. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone at the below listed telephone number, in order to expedite resolution of any issues and to expedite passage of the present application to issue, if any comments, questions, or suggestions arise in connection with the present application.

Respectfully submitted,



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